

THORNHILL COMMUNITY HALL
Back Loan, Thornhill, Stirling, FK8 3QB
Registered Charity no:SC021671

Minutes of Annual General Meeting held by MS Teams on 24 May 2022.

1. **Attendees:-** Chair: Bryn Coulthard,
Peter Rickard, Alastair Morrow, Belinda McMillan, Lynn Rickard, Liz Coiffait,
Robert Turnbull, Charlotte Johnston, Sara Fullerton, Joyce Firth, Jim Mills,
Rowena Coulthard, Lynn Rickard, David Firth, Rolanda Mitchell

2. **Apologies:** Adam Bassett

3. **Minutes from 2021 AGM:** These had previously been circulated.
Acceptance proposed by Charlotte Johnston, seconded Peter Rickard.

4. **Chairman's Report for 2020:** Bryn gave this report to the meeting:

2021 the continuation of the year that wasn't
 - **Bookings**
 - Improvement on 2020 with less stringent restrictions allowing a number of users back into the hall
 - Social Distancing restrictions limiting the types and numbers of users allowed in the hall.
 - **Finances**
 - Finances stable with support from Covid grant secured in 2020
 - Treasurer will give full update
 - **Maintenance**
 - Fire alarm system replaced following number of false alarms.
 - Change in cleaner resulting in HD Cleaning moving out of the local area. New cleaner Holiday Let Cleaning Services
 - **Committee**
 - Extra thanks to the committee & trustees for their support and contribution through the a very challenging year.

5. Treasurer's Report Request:

- **Accounts for the financial year 1 January to 31 December 2021**

- These accounts have been audited for 2021.

- **Summary**

- This year has been affected by Covid19 lockdowns again.
- **Income:**
 - LETS: income even lower than 2020.
 - GRANTS: income was the usual £1000 from Stirling Council.
 - **OVERALL: income was down £1,606 on 2020.**
- **Payments/Outgoings:**
 - Electricity bills the same
 - Cleaning costs the same
 - Insurance costs down.
 - Governance costs same
 - Repairs and maintenance up by £1,242 (but £1,596 on fire alarm check and replacement)
- **OVERALL:**
 - **Loss on unrestricted funds of £4,098** (compared to £4,514 in 2020)

- **2022 Interim Summary**

- BUDGET for the year estimated a loss of less than £1,819.
- Currently we have a deficit of £3,028
- An updated budget based on projections from Hallmaster shows a loss of just over £4,000 for 2022.
- We still have £16,388 left from the £25K Lockdown grant. We received..
- Electricity prices will rise by approx. 70% on 1 Dec but won't reflect in our costs till Jan 2023.
- We currently have a shortfall on the renewables upgrade of about £22,000.
- Based on current prices a loss of £5000 is estimated for 2023

6. Proposed pricing for 2022 – 2023

Significant pressure on expenses with electricity costs rising exponentially

Electricity bills account for around 40% of costs at the current time, expected to increase significantly. We have protection based on fixed price deal until November 2022 with costs expected to jump significantly from then. New proposed pricing for commercial and concessions are:-

Facility	From April 2021
Main Hall (per hr)	£23 / £8
Meeting Rooms (per hr)	£15 / £6
Use of Showers	£40 / £25
All Day Hire (entire hall)	£280 / £140
Evening Hire (entire hall)	£210 / £90

These new rates were approved by the meeting

7. Interim Update

- **Hall returning to near pre-covid level of utilisation**
 - All rooms now available for booking with the lifting of social distancing requirements.
 - Most regular groups returned to the hall
 - Strong demand from birthday parties and good volume of 1 off all day bookings.
- **Major maintenance investment in 2022**
 - Focus on setting the hall up for an energy efficient future.
 - LED lighting installed throughout the building including the replacement of a number of failed emergency lights (excluding main hall) with support from Stirling Council Grant
 - New Kitchen installation completed with support from National Lottery Grant
 - Air Source Heat Pump powered heating & Solar PVs scheduled for installation in July 22 primarily funded by grant from CARES.
- **Financial forecast**
 - Hall still running below optimal income levels with best case scenario of break even forecast for 2022.
 - Substantial reserves being used to support the maintenance program.
- **Kitchen Refurbishment**
 - Kitchen refurb completed by SK Rafferty joiners.
 - New design based on feedback from users and designed to be hard wearing.
 - Some decorating and white goods still outstanding

8. Appointment of Office Bearers

The meeting accepted that the existing office bearers continue

Chairman:- Bryn Coulthard remains in post
Treasurer:- Peter Rickard remains in post
Secretary:- Alastair Morrow remains in post
Bookings Secretary:- Jim Mills remains in post.

Trustees: Bryn Coulthard, Belinda MacMillan, Peter Rickard, Charlotte Johnston

Serving Members: Adam Bassett (Scouts), Sara Fullerton (Playgroup), Liz Coiffait (Biodiversity Group), Robert Turnbull.

9. **AOCB**
- a) **Car Park:** Resurfacing will be in late summer.
 - b) **Ambient hall heating.** It is hoped that after AS Heating is installed, temperatures will be more comfortable for users such as Yoga.

10. Closing Remarks

- Bryn thank ed everyone for their support through 2021
- Look forward to unveiling the new and improved energy efficient hall at the end of the summer holidays.

11. Next AGM

The next AGM will be in April 2023. A date has tbc